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HOUSE BILL NO. 1126

Introduced by: Representatives Lust, Boomgarden, Conzet, Feickert, Jensen, Kirkeby, Lederman, Moser, Novstrup (David), Peters, Rounds, and Vanneman and Senators Rhoden, Ahlers, Dempster, Haverly, Knudson, Novstrup (Al), and Tieszen

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require property owners of a homestead who are
- delinquent in paying their property taxes to notify the county treasurer when they meet
- 3 certain age requirements.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 5 Section 1. That chapter 10-23 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
- 6 follows:
- Any property owner of a homestead that receives a notice of delinquent taxes or a notice
- 8 pursuant to § 10-23-2.1 who will be seventy years of age or older by the date of the tax
- 9 certificate sale for the homestead shall notify the county treasurer prior to the sale that the owner
- meets the age requirement for the homestead exemption provided pursuant to chapter 43-31.
- If the owner fails to notify the county treasurer that the owner meets or will meet the age
- requirement for the homestead exemption, the owner shall be held responsible for any costs
- incurred related to the sale of the tax certificate and the payment of the taxes and interest on the
- tax certificate. The notice required by § 10-23-2.1 shall include a statement informing the owner

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- of the requirement imposed by this section and the applicable penalties.
- 2 Section 2. That § 10-23-2.1 be amended to read as follows:
- 3 10-23-2.1. In addition to the notice required by § 10-23-2, the county treasurer shall send
- 4 the notice containing the information set forth in § 10-23-3 and section 1 of this Act by first
- 5 class mail to any:
- 6 (1) Any owner of the real property at his the owner's last known address, and to any:
- 7 (2) Any person holding a special assessment certificate which is a lien upon the real
- 8 estate, and in case:
- 9 (3) If bonds have been issued in lieu of assessments certificates, to the holder of the bond
- 10 last maturing and also; and
- 11 (4) If the property is located in a municipality, to the city auditor or town, clerk, or
- 12 <u>finance officer</u> of such municipal corporation the municipality.
- The county treasurer shall mail the notice at least fourteen days before the day of sale. The
- county treasurer shall certify, on the tax certificate record book for that tax year, that notice was
- given in the manner prescribed by this section.